

PATENT APPLICATION



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Commissioner for Patents  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 10/669 031

Filing Date: September 23, 2003

Confirmation No.: 1821

Title: METHOD FOR DRIVING A NEMATIC LIQUID CRYSTAL

Inventor: Masaya OKITA

Group: 2673

Examiner: Piziali

Please direct correspondence to the address associated with the following customer number:

**23474**

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.  
(FIRM)

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114
  - a. ☐ An amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
  - b. ☒ Enclosed is/are:
    - i. ☒ Amendment/Response (please enter before calculating the filing fee)
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☒ Acknowledgment Post Card
    - v. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☒ Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ Statement(s) re small entity is/are enclosed.
- b. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed).

- a. ☒ The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

For	No. Filed	No. Extra	( ) LG Entity	RATE	(X) SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee				\$790.00	\$395.00	\$395.00
Total Claims	(22 - 20 = 2)		x \$ 50.00		x \$ 25.00	50.00
Indep. Claims	( 4 - 4 = 0)		x 200.00		x \$100.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dep. Claim			+ \$360.00		+ \$180.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 445.00

- b. ☒ Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by three months. The extension fee is:

☐ \$ (37 CFR §1.17)

☒ \$510.00 (37 CFR §1.17; small entity status established by verified statement(s) submitted previously).

- c. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months). Suspension of action fee is \$\_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR §1.17(i)).

- d. ☒ A check for \$955.00 is enclosed to cover fees.

- e. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

- f. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 CFR \$1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.


The undersigned is: ☒ an attorney of record  
☐ acting under 37 CFR \$1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted,

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

IN DUPLICATE

  
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Terryence F. Chapman  
Reg. No. 32 549

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Encl: Listed above

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